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2 Introduced by Representative McCormack of Burlington

3 Referred to Committee on

4 Date:

5 Subject: Conservation and development; mercury-containing lamps; sale;
6 prohibition

7 Statement of purpose of bill as introduced: This bill proposes to prohibit the
8 sale of mercury-containing lamps in the State beginning on July 1, 2023.

9 An act relating to prohibiting the sale of mercury-containing lamps

10 It is hereby enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Vermont:

11 Sec. 1. 10 V.S.A. chapter 164a is amended to read:

12 CHAPTER 164a. ~~COLLECTION AND DISPOSAL OF MERCURY-~~
13 CONTAINING LAMPS

14 Subchapter 1. Collection and Disposal of Mercury-Containing Lamps

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16 Subchapter 2. Prohibition on Sale of Mercury-Containing Lamps

17 § 7161. SALE OF MERCURY-CONTAINING LAMPS; PROHIBITION

18 (a) Beginning on July 1, 2023, a person shall not sell or offer for sale a
19 mercury-containing lamp in the State.

1 (b) The prohibition under subsection (a) of this section shall not apply to
2 ceramic metal halide lamps.

3 (c) As used in this section:

4 (1) “Ceramic metal halide lamp” means a metal halide lamp with an arc
5 tube made of ceramic materials.

6 (2) “Metal halide lamp” means a high intensity discharge lamp in which
7 the major portion of the light is produced by radiation of metal halides and
8 their products of dissociation, possibly in combination with metallic vapors.

9 Sec. 2. TRANSITION; COLLECTION AND DISPOSAL OF MERCURY-
10 CONTAINING LAMPS

11 (a) Notwithstanding the ban on the sale of mercury-containing lamps in the
12 State under 10 V.S.A. § 7161, a manufacturer of a mercury-containing lamp
13 shall continue to implement an approved collection plan for mercury-
14 containing lamps until July 1, 2028.

15 (b) 10 V.S.A. chapter 164a, subchapter 1 (collection and disposal of
16 mercury-containing lamps) is repealed on July 1, 2028.

17 Sec. 3. EFFECTIVE DATE

18 This act shall take effect on July 1, 2022.